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SUBJECT: BROWNFIELD SITE ASSESSMENT GRANTS TO BE AWARDED

MADISON, Wis. -- Gov. Tommy G. Thompson announced today that six local governmental units have scored high enough to be offered brownfield site assessment grants totaling \$435,000. The DNR Brownfield Site Assessment Grant Program was established in Wisconsin's 1999-2001 biennial budget to "jump start" brownfield projects by providing funds for site assessment and other preliminary activities at abandoned, idle or underused commercial or industrial properties where redevelopment is hindered by real or perceived contamination.

Each of the local governments listed below will carry out activities such as tank removals, assessments, demolition and other non-cleanup activities at specific properties in their communities.

Village of Ashwaubenon	\$98,490.00
Redevelopment Authority of Milwaukee	\$43,673.00
City of Oconto	\$30,837.00
City of Oshkosh	\$62,000.00
Redevelopment Authority of Sheboygan	\$100,000.00
City of Wausau	\$100,000.00

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